

UNION OF UNIONS.

Its Day Has Come, Says President Legg.

AN ADDRESS TO MINERS.

The Head of the District Organization Calls Upon His Fellow-Workmen of the Land to Work for the Organization of the Hoisting Engineers—Other Union News.

Robert Legg, of East Greenville, president of the Massillon district branch of the United Mine Workers of America, has written an address to the miners of the country, in which he directs attention to the importance of the organization extending its jurisdiction over the hoisting engineers of the mines. He tells of the struggle made in this district last spring, for an eight-hour day and better conditions generally for the engineers, and says that it was unsuccessful because the national agreement called for no conditions such as were demanded.

"I hope," says Mr. Legg, that the national, district and sub-district officials throughout the organization will make a special effort to have the top-hands well represented in our next convention that we may be able to make a scale of wages for them, and that all men inside or outside of the mine will enjoy that great blessing of an eight-hour work-day. It means a great deal to the Massillon miners to have the engineer with them. They are the artillery of the organization, and will prove to be very effective in time of need, and who can say how soon they will be needed."

"Now, brother engineers, you are our craftsmen—you only perform a function in producing a ton of coal as we do; therefore it is your duty to belong to our organization. It must be very apparent to you, as it is to all thinking men, that the time is not only here for industrial jurisdiction, but the time is here for the union of unions. It is the writer's earnest hope that the engineers throughout the country will follow the example of our engineers, which will mean a great deal to us and more to them."

FROM THE STRIKE BULLETIN.
This week's copy of the Official Strike Bulletin, issued by the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Tin and Steel Workers, one of which has just been received by E. W. Jones, secretary of the local lodge, contains a statement that at most mills now in operation members of the organization have been assessed 10 per cent of their wages to swell the strike fund. The following, signed by President Shaffer and other officers of the association, appears:

Let us be firm; let us be faithful; let us stand together unflinchingly; enduring hardship and even suffering until our demands are acceded to or shown to be wrong. Continue to work among those who are still restrained, as many of us were, from joining the ranks of organized labor. Reason with them; explain the benefits of being united; show them the difference between our wages and theirs; give them to understand that union men have better mill conditions and are paid for all of their work instead of for a part, even when short lengths are marketed and bring full prices to the trust. Utter no threats, employ no violence, but persuade and organize. The trusts have done so. We ask unorganized men if this was done for the benefit of the workingmen? Was it not done for their own profit? If it is good for them, if it increases their revenues, it must be worthy of imitation.

WAS PREPARING BREAKFAST.

Mrs. Waffle Came to Her Death While Cooking at Her Home.

Fred N. Thompson and G. N. Porter Wednesday evening returned from Youngstown, where they recently went to attend the funeral of Mrs. George Waffle, niece of Mr. Thompson. Mrs. Waffle was burned to death in a fire which destroyed her home, Tuesday morning at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. Waffle had arisen early to prepare breakfast for some visitors from Washington, who had come to attend the Youngstown camp meeting, and desired to leave on the first train. The fire originated in the kitchen. Other persons in the house were not aroused till the fire had gained considerable headway. Mrs. Waffle was dead when her husband found her.

Lee Porter and family lived in the same house as the Waffles. Both families lost all of their household goods.

In cases of cough or croup give the little one One Minute Cough Cure. Then rest easy and have no fear. The child will be all right in a little while. It never fails. Pleasant to take; always safe, sure and instantaneous in effect. Chas. W. Cupples, 180 W. Tremont St., Rider & Snyder, 12 E. Main St.

Would Have Cost Him His Life.

Oscar Bowman, Lebanon, Pa., writes: "I have been using Foley's Kidney Cure and take great pleasure in stating it gave permanent cure of kidney disease which certainly would have cost me my life." Take nothing but Foley's. Rider & Snyder.

Itchiness of the skin, horrible plague. Everyone is afflicted in one way or another. Only one safe, never failing cure—Doan's Ointment. 50 cents.

TO ATTEND ENCAMPMENT.

President McKinley Accepts an Invitation to go to Cleveland.

CANTON, Aug. 1.—President McKinley on Wednesday evening accepted an invitation to visit Cleveland during the national G. A. R. encampment, which will be held there from September 9 to 14. The day on which the President would attend was not designated, but the committee which brought the invitation was assured that he would be there on one of the days. The committee which presented the invitation was composed of General George A. Garretson and Samuel Mather, of the G. A. R., and Prof. Ryerson Ritchie and G. W. Boty.

THE ANT IS KING.

In Myriads the Tiny Insect Attacks the Town.

HOUSES BEING DAMAGED.

A Few with the Tendencies of Termites Seem to be Present, and have Eaten Hundreds of Dollars Out of Properties—Trees Dying in Some Parts of the City from the Assaults of Another Species.

One species of ants now at work hereabouts seems to be a not distant connection of the termite, the house destroyer of Hawaii. It has been noticed that this family of ants prefers as its habitation a smooth groove in wood. It seems perfectly able to do its own grooving, too. Deep holes have been discovered in houses, and from their appearance are the work of ants.

If the Pied Piper could do with the ants of Massillon what he did with the rats of Hamelin, he would be a welcome visitor just now. There never has been anything like it. Red ants, black ants, wood ants, mining ants, and many other kinds of ants have come in myriads, swarming butteries, cupboards and other places, everywhere doing mischief.

"I don't know that the presence of these insects can be easily explained," remarked a druggist this morning. "The demand for ant-killing things has been greater this spring than I have ever known it to be. The potato bug crop was the largest in years, and I suppose it is only natural that it should be followed with this epidemic of ants. I suppose, like the locusts, they come every so often."

Trees are dying in many parts of the city from attacks made by another kind of ant. A few myriads of these tiny insects assemble on different limbs of a tree, build for themselves a home that resembles a great caterpillar, and then the work of destruction begins. The limbs do not live long. When the tree is thoroughly dead, the insects seek pastures green. The only treatment that means sure death, it is said, is to set fire to the nests. They burn quickly, and no damage is done to the trees.

BAD AMONG THE GOOD.

Pickpockets Also Attend the Cascade Park Excursion.

Both return sections of the Cascade park excursion arrived in the city before 9:30 o'clock on Wednesday evening, and there was not an excursionist who was not satisfied with the park, or with the service rendered by the Pennsylvania railway company in handling the trains. Stops were made at Canton and Louisville, in the morning, and large crowds taken on at these places. The only unpleasant feature of the occasion was the presence of pickpockets, who plied their craft industriously amongst the excursionists. At Newcastle, Pa. the Rev. L. F. Meyers, of Canton, became painfully aware of the absence of his purse. It, with \$25 had been abstracted from his pockets. L. R. Kiedel, of Dayton, who has been visiting in Canton and this vicinity, lost \$20 in the same way. There was one who said that \$55 had been taken from his person.

The Lutheran "Volksfest," for which the excursion was run, was attended by about 4,000 people, and the attendance would have been larger had it not been for threatening weather in parts of Pennsylvania. About thirty-five congregations were represented at the meeting. The addresses of the day were by the Rev. S. P. Long, formerly of this city, whose subject was "The Lady We Love," and by the Rev. L. H. Burry, of this city, in German, on "Our Lutheran Family."

Daniel Bantz, of Otterville, Pa., says: "Have had asthma and a very bad cough for years, but could get no relief from the doctors and medicines I tried, until I took Foley's Honey and Tar. It gave immediate relief, and did me more good than all the other remedies combined." Rider & Snyder.

Eruptions, cuts, burns, scalds and sores of all kinds quickly healed by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Certain cure for piles. Beware of counterfeits. Be sure you get the original—DeWitt's. C. W. Cupples, 180 W. Tremont street; Rider & Snyder, 12 East Main street.

Wm. Finn, of Lima, O., obtained excellent results from the use of Foley's Kidney Cure. "It relieved my backache and severe pain over the hips. It toned my system and gave me new vim and energy. It is an honest and reliable remedy, a sure cure for all kidney diseases." Rider & Snyder.

NEWS OF CANTON.

Weather Observer's Report for July.

CALLERS ON PRESIDENT.

Senator Hanna Denies That He is Officially Interested in Efforts to End the Strike—Canton Woman Draws a Prize in Oklahoma Land Distribution.

CANTON, Aug. 3.—Charles F. Stokely, United States government observer, has completed his report of the weather for the month of July. There were 15 days when the temperature reached 90 degrees or more. There were 18 clear days, nine fair days, and four cloudy days during the month. The average of the maximum temperatures was 89.2-10 degrees; the average of the minimum temperatures 66.7-10 degrees; the maximum temperature, 98 degrees, on July 1; the minimum temperature, 53 degrees, on July 9. Rain fell one-hundredth of an inch or more on 11 days. The total rainfall for the month was two and thirty-eight one-hundredths inches, which is only a little more than half the usual July rainfall. The greatest rainfall in 24 hours was on July 3, when one and nineteen one-hundredth inches fell, just half the total for the month. Observer Stokely says that the month was a remarkable one.

Miss Grace Simler, of No. 508 North McKinley avenue, was one of the prize winners in the government lottery for the distribution of homesteads in Oklahoma. Her claim is one hundred and sixty acres in the Reno district. Miss Simler was formerly employed at the Deuber-Hampden watch factory. Telegraph reports also give the name of H. Boyle, as having drawn one of the 160-acre government claims at El Reno. No one of that name seems to be known by Cantonians.

The annual meeting of the county board of elections was held in the board rooms in the Whiting block in North Cleveland avenue, Friday morning. Archibald McGregor, of Canton; George Shauf, of Massillon; Captain Thomas Wilson, of Alliance, and Frank H. Ewing, of Alliance, who constitute the board, were all present. Messrs. McGregor and Wilson were sworn in for the ensuing term of two years to which they were appointed. The board was then reorganized for the ensuing year by the re-election of Frank H. Ewing as president and A. W. Agler secret. ry.

The Democratic executive committee met on Saturday morning, and filled vacancies on the county ticket, by placing thereon the names of Edwin S. DeFord, of Minerva, for treasurer, and John H. Holl, of Canton, for county surveyor.

The franchise granted by the county commissioners last November to Thomas L. Childs, and later assigned by him to William H. Hoover, Charles A. Kolp and J. C. Welty, representing the Canton-Akron Railway Company, has been formally transferred to the latter company, and the assignment entered upon the journal of the Stark county commissioners.

The Hon. George W. McCook, of Steubenville, the Hon. Gill McCook, a Democratic political leader at the same place, and John McSweeney, of Wooster, called on President McKinley on Friday. All asserted that politics had nothing to do with their call and that their visit was purely social. Mr. McSweeney has long been a friend of the president, as was his father before him.

The officials of Stark county and the attorneys of Canton, will again meet on the diamond at Mahaffey park on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The game is the all-absorbing topic of conversation among the partisans of each team, and promises to be one of the most exciting events of the season.

Senator M. A. Hanna, who is here on a visit to President and Mrs. McKinley, gave out a statement last night, denying as erroneous the reports connecting him with efforts to settle the great steel strike. "I am just as anxious to have the strike settled as is the vast majority of the people, but I am taking no part in the negotiations," he declared.

NAME WILL REMAIN.

President Loree, of the B. & O., on a Tour of Inspection.

A special from Lorain to the Cleveland Plain Dealer says: "Considerable interest was aroused in railroad circles here today by the arrival in a private car of President L. F. Loree, General Manager G. L. Potter, Assistant General Manager L. G. Hoar and T. J. Foley, Chief Engineer F. M. Graham, Master Mechanical Superintendent J. N. Barr and other officials of the B. & O. The object of their trip was an inspection of the road here. President Loree is making an inspection of all the B. & O. properties, especially the new acquisitions. The officials denied the statement made some days ago that the name of the C. & W. would be changed to the B. & O. Matters pertaining to transportation and harbor work were taken up by President Loree with President Woodford, of the C. & W., and it is expected that a large number of changes, which will be of great value to Lorain, will soon be made in the road here."

SILICATE COMPANY SELLS OUT.

Philadelphia Quartz Company Purchases Plant and Business.

The plant and business of the Star Silicate Company, in West Walnut street, was Wednesday sold to the Philadelphia Quartz Company. The business will be continued, and later on the works may be enlarged. The Star Silicate Company was organized more than a year ago. The president was Henry Shriver. George Shriver was the secretary and treasurer. J. C. Corns, Daniel Stoehr and Charles Shriver were stockholders. Silicate, the product of the factory, is used mainly in the manufacture of soap.

THE CHECK SYSTEM

Men of Klondike Mine Ask for Its Adoption.

SAY IT IS A FAIR PLAN.

Miners Contend That They Ought to be Paid According to the Weight of the Cars as They Leave Their Rooms Instead of When They Reach the Top—Shoemakers Failed to Organize—Other Union News.

John Morgan, of North Lawrence, secretary of the sub-district branch of the United Mine Workers of America, Saturday, presented to W. J. Mullins, manager of the Massillon Coal Mining Company, a request from the miners of the Klondike works that the check system be adopted.

"By the check system," explained Mr. Morgan, Saturday, "is meant a plan whereby the miners receive full pay for all coal they load. It sometimes happens that cars leave the rails or are damaged in other ways, and some of the coal the diggers load is lost. We contend that we ought to be paid for the cars as they leave our rooms. We are not to blame if they become damaged and part of the coal is lost. So we want a check put upon every car that becomes damaged or from which coal drops off, this check to call for a full car at the average weight."

For a week the men of the Klondike mine have been complaining. Meetings have been held, and a strike has several times been talked of. The officers of the union pointed out the ineffectiveness of the one-mine strike, and directed attention to the agreement with their employers that all difficulties shall be taken up by the officials with the operators without a cessation of operations.

FAILED TO ORGANIZE.
"We have found it impossible to organize the boot and shoemakers of the city," remarked Herman R. Hintz, who agitated the unionizing of these craftsmen. "A few of us have joined the national union, and have let the local organization go."

FIRE LADDIES CELEBRATE.

Massillon Firemen go to Navarre on Wednesday Evening.

Wednesday was the twenty-fifth anniversary of the establishment of the Navarre fire department, and the date was almost as memorable a one as that of twenty-five years ago. The celebration arranged in its honor by the Navarre laddies, came off in the evening, in the rink at the marble works. Thirty Massillon firemen, with Chief Burke and Mayor Wise, were among the guests. Emil Converse, in the absence of Mayor Warwick, welcomed the guests, and Mayor Wise responded on behalf of the visitors. Then there were more speeches. Mayor Wise sang all his favorite selections, with the usual number of encores, and then came the feast of the evening, at which it is said several hundred people seated themselves. The evening ended with dancing which continued to the small hours of the morning. The Massillon boys made the trip in wagons.

WANTED AS A WITNESS.

J. Wellington Leonard Sought by Pension Bureau.

Inquiry is being made in the city concerning J. Wellington Leonard, who is wanted as a witness in a pension case, now before the department. Leonard is said to have at one time been engaged in newspaper work in Massillon. As nothing can be learned of Leonard here, it is supposed that a mistake has been made in the name of the city. Leonard served in the army during the Spanish-American war.

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COULD NOT AGREE.

All Negotiations Have Been Called Off.

MORGAN'S PROPOSITION.

Executive Committee Given Until 4 O'clock to Decide on Returning to Work on Last Year's Terms—More Men Added to the Wellsville Mill Force—A Woman Escorts Non-Union Workmen to a Mill.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—Shortly after 11 o'clock J. P. Morgan and Mr. Dawkins, a business associate, entered the room where the conference with the advisory board of the Amalgamated Association was held. President Reid, of the American Tin Plate Company, was also present. Morgan left the conference room at 12 o'clock.

2 p. m.—The conference between the Amalgamated Association's representatives and J. P. Morgan failed to reach an agreement, and all negotiations are off.

President Reid, of the American Tin Plate Company, is quoted as saying that the executive board of the Amalgamated Association had until 4 this afternoon to accept the proposition made to them by J. P. Morgan to work at last year's scale.

NO MORE CONFERENCES

Unless Asked For by the Steel Corporation.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—One of the Amalgamated Association men said after the conference that the proposition by the United States Steel Corporation would not be accepted, and there would be no further conference unless asked for by the steel corporation. The Amalgamated representatives will probably leave for Pittsburgh Sunday morning.

MEET IN NEW YORK.

A Final Settlement Looked For at Today's Conference.

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 3.—The removal of the scene of negotiations for the ending of the strike from Pittsburgh to New York is looked upon as a good omen. All agree that the result of today's conference will be final and conclusive, one way or the other.

There was some shooting at Wellsville last night, when a lot of strikers surrounded a boarding house where a number of non-union men boarded. Several shots were fired, but no one was hurt.

STRIKE RUMORS.

McKeesport Tube Workers May Join Strikers.

McKEESPORT, Pa., Aug. 3.—Rumors were rife here last night regarding the strike situation. One was that the employees of the National rolling mill and the Boston iron and steel works, both plants of the National Tube Company, would be called out on strike this morning. The employees of the plants have been organized to a certain extent, and it was said that organizers from Pittsburgh would arrive in McKeesport this morning and complete the organization. If the two plants were called out the entire works of the National Tube Company would be crippled. Between 8,000 and 10,000 men would be affected.

DEFIED THE STRIKERS.

Wellsville Woman Escorts Non-Union Men to the Mill.

WELLSVILLE, Aug. 3.—Mrs. Phillips keeps the boarding house that was attacked by strikers last night. She armed herself, went out and dared the strikers to touch her. She then took the non-union boarders and her husband to the mill, walking beside them with loaded revolvers and daring the strikers to interfere. On leaving the mill she put all to rout, many whom she knows, and will have them arrested.

SAN FRANCISCO STRIKE.

Chinese Ordered from Docks by a Massillon Man.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 3.—While no definite action resulted from the conferences between the labor leaders and the municipal league, yesterday, Mayor Phelan expresses confidence that the strike will be settled before Monday. The Japanese laborers on the water front have been asked to stand with the strikers and the Chinese crew of the Coptic was prohibited from working ashore by the federal authorities, in pursuance of the exclusion act. In response to a protest by labor leaders that the Chinese crew of the Coptic was doing work ashore, Chief Chinese Inspector James R. Dunn received instructions from Assistant Secretary Taylor and Commissioner Powderly to order the Chinese back to the Coptic and to prevent further instructions of the law.

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NON-UNION MEN GET IN.

The Strikers at Wellsville are in an Ugly Mood.

WELLSVILLE, O., Aug. 3.—In the Wellsville plant of the American Sheet Steel Company the steel trust has the best of the argument. Nine new men from Scottsdale, Pa., were brought into the mill without a hand being raised or a word of reasoning used to stop them from entering the mill. The men were in the parlor car, and the doors were locked at East Liverpool. The strikers pickets were refused permission to enter. The men were in charge of Civil Engineer H. H. Thompson, of the steel company. When the mill was reached the train was stopped and they were rushed under the stockade before the pickets could speak to them. The strikers were in an ugly mood last night and were much chagrined over the company getting the men in the mill. Mayor A. P. Dennis had to interfere personally last night with a body of strikers and prevent them from taking David Alman, a machinist, of Brooklyn, N. Y., forcibly to the camp across the river. The mayor took the man to the train and paid his fare out of town to protect him.

SCOTTSDALE, Pa., Aug. 3.—Skilled mill workers to the number of fourteen left here Friday for Wellsville, to work in the rolling mill at that place. The men are skilled rollers, roughers and heaters, and will be able to fully man two mills. It is reported that if these men succeed in getting steady employment several more skilled men will leave for Wellsville in a few days.

IMPORTED NEGROES.

Hundreds Being Sent to Cleveland to Work in the Mills.

CLEVELAND, Aug. 3.—The big steel combine is utilizing negro labor to supplant its white workmen in the Newburg mills here. Already a couple of hundred of brawny colored men have come to the city from Pittsburgh, Homestead and adjacent iron centers in Pennsylvania. They are brought here by one of their own race, who is acting as agent for the steel corporation. When the colored men arrive they are sent to the mill, where a large dwelling house is used as a domicile.

Many more negroes, it is said, will be brought here, and a general emigration of colored workmen familiar with the manufacture of iron and steel, from the South, is prophesied by a colored agent of the steel corporation. The negroes from Alabama and Tennessee, according to the same authority, see in this strike a glorious opportunity to improve their condition, and they are flocking north in large numbers. It is also asserted that the steel corporation has given authority to its agents to gather all the colored iron workers possible and to center them at the various points of the strike. It is claimed that the men who are going into the mills here are practical iron workers, having done similar work elsewhere.

WILL SUPPORT STRIKERS.

The Federation of Labor Pledged to Do So

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—A statement issued by President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, pledges the support of that organization to the Amalgamated Association in its present strike. The circular says, in part: "In this struggle our members of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers will receive the cordial sympathy and support of all unions. We know that any action they take will be within their full lawful and moral rights."

The American Federationist, the official monthly magazine of the American Federation of Labor, in its issue for August, just made public, speaking sympathetically of the steel strike, says: "The point upon which negotiations finally broke off was that the trust tried to make it a condition of employment that the men in the non-union mills should refrain from joining any union. The Amalgamated Association insisted upon their right to endeavor to organize these non-union men into the union and to finally secure for them the wage scale paid in union mills operated by the trust."

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Vice President Theodore Roosevelt was asked the other day if he would be a presidential candidate in 1904. "Would I?" he inquired. "Certainly, if the people want me, but you see there should be some sixty million people looking for the same office." No answer could have shown less self conceit or complacency, and yet a few case-hardened Democratic newspapers are trying to turn it into an example of the "strenuous" vanity of the Rough Rider.

One of the best proofs of the Republican assertion that Governor Nash has served one term to the satisfaction of the people is the fact that no word of complaint is to be found in the Democratic platform. Stump speakers this fall cannot say truthfully that state affairs have not been well managed. Governor Nash's administration has been an honest and economical one, which has earned the commendation of every honest voter in Ohio.

From the treasury department's record of the import and export commerce of the United States for the year ending June 30 last, it appears that although the total value of imports during the year was less than in 1900, there was a marked increase in the imports of articles of voluntary consumption and luxuries. This fact is a strong indication of the general prosperity of the country. The importation of luxuries constituted 2.52 per cent. of the whole incoming trade. In 1900 the percentage was 1.50.

The boys, as they lie around on the grass idle, must be thinking a great deal. The problem that is puzzling them is, "how do trusts benefit the workingman, and why should workmen vote for and support trusts?" To have men think about these matters is a healthy sign.—Ravenna Democrat.

It is a shame that "the boys as they lie around in the grass idle" should have to think at all. Thinking may be "a healthy sign," but it is only another form of labor. "The boys" should just rest content with the conviction that not only should they not vote for and support the trusts, but that the trusts should support them. The support of "workmen" should be the main object of all trusts.

Colonel Bryan knows that an inquiry, judicial in character is about to be held at the request of Admiral W. S. Schley and that members of this court cannot afford to permit any personal or partisan bias to influence their judgment. He must also know that it is advisable for the people to suspend judgment pending the disclosure of all the facts in the Schley-Sampson controversy. Nevertheless in today's Commoner Bryan makes an utterly unjust and unfounded charge to the effect that the administration is showing favoritism toward Sampson and officiously announces that "the statements of witnesses" have convinced the American people that Schley was the real hero of Santiago. Admiral Schley is to be commiserated over the fact that Bryan has proclaimed himself his champion. A great many very excellent people who have hitherto felt no inclination to take sides in the unfortunate affair will thereby become prejudiced against him.

"I have been told that Massillon is a newspaper graveyard," said James A. Hamilton, editor and publisher of the defunct Massillon Daily Times, just before his paper was launched, "but I am going to risk it." Mr. Hamilton risked it and lost, as have others before him. He is to be commended for his pluck, however, for the venture must have been a losing one from start to finish, and THE INDEPENDENT wishes him unbounded success in his old home at Orrville, where for twenty years or more he conducted one of the best of Ohio's weekly newspapers—the Crescent, which he again controls. It may not be out of place at this time to call the attention of the readers and advertisers of Massillon to the fact that THE WEEKLY INDEPENDENT is now well along in its thirty-ninth year, and that for fourteen years THE EVENING INDEPENDENT has never missed an issue. Both papers are in a healthy condition, their list of patrons growing year by year, and the publishers have every reason to believe that this state of affairs will continue. THE INDEPENDENT still sets the pace.

A western statistician figures up in Leslie's Weekly a total of 1,838 casualties due to Fourth of July celebrations this year. The number killed was 25, the injured 1,813. The fire loss was

\$128,185. The figures given include but a small part of the actual loss and suffering caused by the annual indulgence granted to the American small boy. The writer referred to continues:

"It to these statistics were added the amount of money actually wasted in this foolish, extravagant and barbarous display of noise, the wonder would grow as to why a civilized and enlightened people should bear this Fourth of July abomination any longer. A great many things that are silly and some that are bad are done in the name of patriotism, but we know of few that are sillier and none that is worse, in many ways, than the outrages committed every year upon a quiet and peaceable public under the guise of Independence Day commemoration. If the terrible outburst of mere noise could be regarded as a necessary evil in the way of an annual vent for superfluous animosity and savagery it might be borne with greater equanimity, but as a method of celebrating so important and solemn an event as the birth of a great nation it is a custom a thousand times more honored in the breach than in the observance."

The extremely favorable condition of the national finances at the end of the first month of the fiscal year 1902 which began on July 1, is surprising. A month ago it was not considered possible that there would be a surplus of receipts over expenditures during the month of July, for although the fiscal year closed with a surplus of about \$80,000,000 it was believed that the heavy expenditures called for at the beginning of the new year would considerably exceed the amount of the current revenues. The repeal of war revenue taxes, it was believed, would also contribute to an inevitable deficit for the month, and it was reckoned that the same conditions would continue during August and September in view of the unusually dull season of business and consequent reduction of custom receipts. Nevertheless the treasury statement for the last day of the month showed that the receipts exceeded the expenditures in July by \$13,340. There is a larger stock of gold coin and bullion in the treasury vaults of the United States today than is possessed by any nation in the world. The grand total is \$504,897,338.

The American Economist has taken some pains to ascertain the feeling among influential members of both branches of congress regarding the proposed reopening of the tariff question at next winter's session, and without exception the expressions secured have been uncompromisingly adverse to any tariff legislation by the Fifty-seventh Congress. The best thought of the Republican party, in and out of congress, is in favor of letting the tariff entirely alone. This is undoubtedly the thought of the business interests of the country. In a letter from the Hon. Charles A. Russell, of Connecticut, one of the leading members of the ways and means committee, the latter goes to the meat of the question when he objects to tariff revision on the ground of its injurious effects upon industry and trade through the curtailing of business and the unsettling of wages and values. No better reason can be cited in depreciation of tariff revision. "The dominant party in congress and the industries of the country," says Mr. Russell, "would better take a thought before hastily promoting an agitation which involves the protective policy and disturbs all that is good in the present situation. For myself I fear the result of the agitation little, because I find each industry holding that the other industry and not itself may need revision of tariff, and I know that no legislation is tenable and none can be enacted which through fears or favors discriminates."

DOUBTFUL RUMORS.

And Still Scores of Massillon People Accept Them as Facts.

The published statement of some stranger residing in a faraway place may be true enough, but it is generally accepted as a doubtful rumor. How can it be verified? The testimony which follows is convincing proof because it comes from a resident of Massillon.

Mr. Leonard P. Slosser, township trustee, residing at 184 Welman street, says: "I had frequent attacks of severe pain in kidneys. A friend told me of the great value of Doan's Kidney Pills, and I bought a box at Z. T. Baltz's drug store, 12 South Erie street. In a very short time I was absolutely cured and have not had the slightest pain in my back since. This remarkable cure speaks more eloquently than words as to the wonderful value of Doan's Kidney Pills."

For sale by all dealers; price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name Doan's and take no other.

P. T. Thomas, Sumterville, Ala.—"I was suffering from dyspepsia when I commenced taking Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. I took several bottles and can digest anything." Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is the only preparation containing all the natural digestive fluids. It gives weak stomachs, entire rest, restoring their natural condition. Chas. W. Cupples, 129 W. Tremont street, Rider & Snyder, 12 E. Main street.

For Whooping Cough. "Both my children were taken with whooping cough," writes Mrs. O. E. Dutton, of Danville, Ill. "A small bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar cured the cough and saved me a doctor's bill." Rider & Snyder.

NEARBY TOWN NOTES.

CRYSTAL SPRING NEWS.

CRYSTAL SPRING, Aug. 3.—Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Preece, a young squire.

Mrs. S. C. Stump has returned to her home in Toledo.

Attorney Will Day, of Canton, was in town Wednesday on legal business. He was accompanied by John Shimp, ex-champion bicycle rider of Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Ewald Herman are visiting relatives in Detroit.

The Blind Trio Concert Company gave an enjoyable concert in the Reformed church Wednesday night.

The Howe Bros. held forth on the school grounds under canvas three nights. The show was fair.

Fully two hundred people from this place accompanied the Sunday school excursion to Silver lake last Thursday. Upon arriving at the lake it began to rain and it looked as if the day would be a gloomy one, but soon the rain stopped, the sky became clear and everything presented a different aspect. The excursionists greatly enjoyed the rest of the day. In the afternoon the Crystal Spring team played Cuyahoga Falls and won a hotly contested game of ball by a score of 8 to 7. Kittinger made a two base hit and also lined the ball out for three bases when scores were needed. The Falls has a strong team, members of which are nice fellows.

In Memoriam.

Whereas, It has pleased our heavenly Father to permit the removal from our midst by sudden death of our friend, brother and co-worker in the Lord's vineyard, William Kettering, therefore

Resolved, That we, the members of the McDonaldsville Union Evangelical church and Sabbath school, bow in humble submission to the will of God, believing that He doeth all things well, and that in the light of a clearer day we shall see (as we cannot now) that it was all for the best.

Resolved, That though he was taken from us so suddenly, we shall remember him as a man of strict integrity, loyal to the truth, and having the courage of his convictions.

Resolved, That we shall miss his cheerful face and wise counsel in the Sabbath school and in all the services of the church, where his presence was an inspiration both to pastor and people.

Resolved, further, That we extend our warmest sympathy to the deeply afflicted wife, children and relatives, and we rejoice with them in the fact that taking his daily life as an inducement, we hope to meet him where separations never take place, and where we trust the entire family will rejoice in the effluence of the glory to be revealed.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Sabbath school, and a copy sent to the sorrowing family.

A. J. STONE.

L. S. SMITH.

B. F. KOONS,

Committee.

VIOLATED SUNDAY LAWS.

Dunbar, Pa., Pastor Objected to Bar Improvements on Sabbath—Crusade Proposed.

Uniontown, Pa., Aug. 3.—William Dull arranged to have a new floor and fixtures put in the bar of the Dunbar house at Dunbar last Sunday. Rev. J. S. Pott, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, obtained evidence and Dull and seven workmen were arrested for desecrating the Sabbath. They pleaded guilty and were fined.

The church people of Dunbar will begin a crusade against the stores that sell on Sunday and other violators of the law.

Pressed Flowers.

Several methods of preserving the natural color of pressed flowers have been suggested, but the best, it is said, is that used in the New York botanical garden. After the specimens have been under pressure for a day or two they are laid in papers heated in the sun, and this is repeated until the drying is completed. This, it is said, preserves the colors perfectly.

WEAKNESS OF MEN AND WOMEN

Could we read the hearts of every man and woman, a kind of sorrow and despair would be disclosed. Indiscretions and Blood Diseases have caused more physical and mental wrecks than all other causes combined. They strike at the foundation of manhood; they sap the vital forces; they undermine the system, and not only do they often disrupt the family circle, but they may even extend their poisonous fangs into the next generation. If you have been a victim of early sinful habits, remember the seed is sown, and sooner or later you will reap a harvest. If your blood has been diseased from any cause do not risk a return later on. Our New Method Treatment will positively cure you and you need never fear any return of the disease. We will give you a guarantee bond to that effect. We would warn you sincerely against the poisonous use of mercury, which does not cure blood poison but simply suppresses the symptoms.

WE CURE OR NO PAY.

Don't Let your Life be Drained Away, which weakens the intellect. A weak body. There is no room in this world for mental, physical or sexual defects. Our New Medical Treatment will Stop All Unnatural Losses, Purify the Blood, Strengthen the Nerves, Restore Vitality, and make a man of you. If you are in trouble, call and consult us. Consultation is free. We treat and cure Drains, Blood Diseases, Varicose, Stricture, Unnatural Discharges, Gleet, Kidney and Bladder Diseases. No cutting or operations. No detention from business. Everything confidential. Consultation Free. Books Free. Question Blank Free for Home Treatment.

DRS. KENNEDY & KERGAN
247 Superior Street,
CLEVELAND, - - OHIO.

Notice of Appointment.

The undersigned has been duly appointed executor of the estate of Henry J. Lomas, late of Stark County, Ohio, deceased. Dated the 11th day of July, 1901.

LAURA A. HUSTON,
Executors.

BUSY DAYS IN... DIXIE

This is a time of waiting, hoping and watching in a large part of Dixie. Upon the weather of the next few weeks depends the future cotton crop, the great staple of the south. The tender cotton plant is just beginning to come

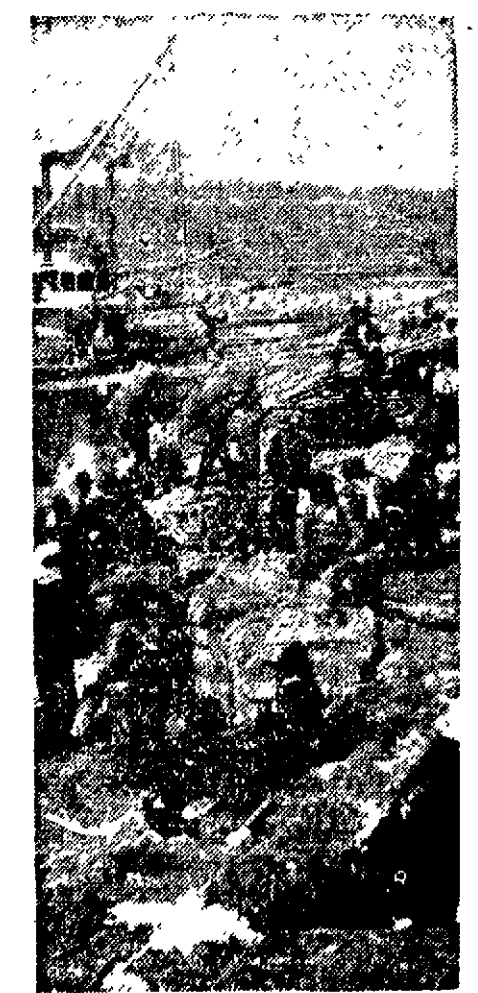


PICKING COTTON.

Into bloom, and southern farmers, from the man with a "two horse farm" to the owner of a vast plantation, are hoping that the weather conditions will prove favorable and that later no early frost will kill the crop. Cotton growing is by no means a matter of joyous watching the beautiful product grow and then picking it, with negro song and laughter, as many people imagine.

From the time of putting the seed into the ground, about the middle of April, until the picking is completed, in October or early November, the cotton planter must be continually on his guard against the enemies of the downy product. He knows that an excess of wind or wet, of rain or flood or continued drought, means the falling off of the leaves and bolls and consequently no crop. He knows that the insect enemies of the cotton plant, numerous in kind, are like the worm in early rising and like the hurricane in destructiveness. Not until the fluffy cotton, with the valuable seeds hidden within the equally precious lint, is safely housed does the planter know whether his crop is a success or not.

Predictions as to this year's crop are of course futile when one considers that a short spell of bad weather at any time between now and September may ruin the sensitive plants. Again, in early October Jack Frost may decide to make an untimely and unwelcome visit to the cotton districts of the south, and the hopes of the planter may be blown away as lightly as a wisp of his own product on the autumn breeze.



SCENE ON THE LEVEE.

But with all these drawbacks it pays to grow cotton when one has land fitted for it. Cotton prices are high now compared with those of the years since the seventies. Last year saw the realization of the hope of "10 cent cotton," a figure that means prosperity to the south as "dollar wheat" does to the north and west. It is hoped that this year's crops will equal or exceed that of last year, which ranked fourth or

fifth in the history of the country. Last year the cotton crop amounted in round numbers to 9,000,000 bales, valued at about \$235,000,000. This is of course exclusive of the seed produced, valued at many millions of dollars.

In August the searcher for beauty does well if he visits a southern cotton field in full bloom. There are few scenes of more beauty to be found on earth. Either at a distance or nearby a cotton field in bloom is good to look at. Seen from afar, the field seems covered with the snow white opened bolls, and it is easy to imagine an arctic snowfall in a semitropical climate. When viewed more closely, the field loses little or none of its charm, for then the white of the lint contrasts well with the brown of the matured plant and the green of the tender young shoots that are too late to be of any but aesthetic use. Cotton remains beautiful until it is baled, for no keen sense of beauty is needed to see it in the great heaped up masses of the snowy product waiting for the gin.

"Picking time" is gala time on a southern plantation, for it is the busiest season of the year. As soon as the cotton bolls are fully opened the lint must be taken out by hand. Various machines to supplant the hand picker have been tried, but they have failed. The only good cotton picker yet tried is the negro, and the best picker, according to many, is the negro woman. In answer to the question, "Which picks the better, man or woman?" an old darky replies: "Oman, sir. Dey's out an out de best pickers. I can't put my mind on nary a extra good picker what I ever knowed as was a man."

Although "picking time" means a time of excitement, of bustle, of all sorts of happenings, it is by no means all rejoicing, as some folks believe. Cotton picking is not easy work. To pick 150 or more pounds of cotton in one day requires strength, agility and a knowledge of the art of picking cleanly and rapidly. Much money changes hands, for the pickers receive now 60 or 65 cents per hundred pounds. For many years the price ranged between 40 and 50 cents, but the negro cotton pickers are sharing in the prosperity of the south. It cost the planters of the south the very neat sum of \$68,547,010 to have the crop of 1899-1900 picked.

From the weighing baskets and the storehouses the omnipresent southern mule hauls the cotton to the gin, which is to separate the seeds from the lint. Ginning cotton is an interesting occupation, although it has remained practically unchanged since Eli Whitney



A COTTON HANDLER.

Invented the useful machine. The word "gin" is believed to be an abbreviation of "engine." Ginning "short staple," or upland, cotton differs from the operation needed to separate the "long staple," or "sea island," cotton from its seed. "Short staple" cotton forms by very much the greater part of the cotton crop of the United States, only about 100,000 bales of the other being grown. The "short staple" cotton is freed from its seed by the ordinary saw gin. This separates the fiber by tearing it from the seed by means of a series of circular saws with fine teeth. The "sea island" cotton, which is finer and more valuable, is separated by the roller gin, which pulls rather than tears the cotton from the more easily separated seed.

At many plantations after ginning comes the "condensing," as rolling the loose, fluffy cotton into thin, gauzy sheets is called. Compressing and baling are next, and the cotton is then ready for shipment to the mills, where the "tree wool," as the Germans call it, is to be spun into thread and woven into cloth.

The House Spider's Web.

The web of the house spider differs from that of the garden variety in two points—its mesh is much finer and it is composed of one kind of silk only. The flies which find their way into it are detained by the entanglement of their claws in the fine meshes. The house spider, as a rule, makes its snare in the corner of the room. Its first operation is to press its spinners against the wall, thus securing the threads in a particular spot; then it goes to the opposite side and fastens the other end of the thread. This primary line is strengthened by two or three others being run along beside it, threads are drawn from it in various directions, and the interstices are filled by the spider running backward and forward, always leaving a line behind it. In one corner of the completed web a tube is made, in which the spider conceals itself and waits for the appearance of unwary flies.

FRANK LESLIE NO LONGER.

Famous Woman Publisher Is Now La Baronne de Bazus.

Mrs. Frank Leslie is gone, to be known no more by that title. In her place stands Mme. La Baronne Leslie de Bazus, who is identical in all but name with the enterprising authoress and publisher who has been so long and so prominently before the American public. The story of the acqui-



Photo by Anne Dupont, New York.
MME. LA BARONNE LESLIE DE BAZUS (MRS. FRANK LESLIE).

tion of her title by the erstwhile Mrs. Frank Leslie is interesting.

To begin with, the Baroness Leslie de Bazus is of Louisiana creole descent and a native of New Orleans. Her ancestors, Frenchmen of noble blood, left France because of the Huguenot persecutions and settled in Louisiana. One of them brought with him the title of Baron de Bazus, which descended through the centuries to Mrs. Leslie's aunt. The latter died recently, and the authoress now has assumed the title as sole heiress. The baroness recently went to France to establish her claim and was received with open arms by her French relatives. She has just returned to America, bringing with her an imposing parchment that sets forth fully her rights in the matter.

Mrs. Leslie, or the Baroness Leslie de Bazus, is confirmed in her rights by an act of the French parliament, dated July 19, 1757. This document sets forth the bestowal of titles and privileges on the family. It shows that they date back many centuries to one Philippe Picot, who lived during the reign of Louis IX (St. Louis). Besides the title of Baron de Bazus the family holds two others, that of the Count of Lapeyrouse and that of the Count of Pommeroyes. They were very distinguished folk in the old nobility before the French revolution upset the established order.

HOLDS SPEECH WITH BIRDS.

The Extraordinary Gift of a Young Lady of Fond du Lac, Wis.

If Miss Reina V. Wright of Fond du Lac, Wis., can prove her claim that she can talk with birds, she will take rank with Garner and Kipling. The former of these gentlemen understands monkey talk, and the latter, if the stories told of him are true, is able to communicate with elephants. Miss Wright's claim is that after six years of study she is able to understand the "speech" of birds and of some animals. She has learned to imitate the notes of the feathered songsters. She can under-



MISS REINA V. WRIGHT.

stand what the birds twitter or sing, and she is understood by them when she answers.

Miss Wright is 18 years old. When she first went to the woods and imitated the birds, they flocked about her and chattered, without showing fear. When she sang, they were silent, and when she ceased they made the woods ring. After careful comparison and long study she now holds that bird speech is clear to her.

Vienna Organ Grinders.

In Vienna organ grinders are allowed to play only between midday and sunset.

FOUR WERE DROWNED

Fatal Accident to a Fishing Party Near Central City, W. Va.

GIRL JUMPED INTO OHIO.

Mother Leaped From the Boat After Her—Both Drowned—in Excitement Two Children Perished—Another Child Saved by Boy in Boat.

Central City, W. Va., Aug. 3.—Mrs. Fannie Hemmings, 45 years old, and wife of ex-State Mine Inspector John T. Hemmings; her 14-year-old daughter Kathleen, and two little grandchildren, Imogene and Theodore Apperson, 4 and 5 years old, were drowned in the Ohio river. Mrs. Hemmings lived here, but the grandchildren were the children of Mrs. Lucille Apperson, of Richmond, Va.

The party were fishing in a frail boat, in charge of William Chutter, a boy 15 years old. The passenger steamer Sunshine, bound for Cincinnati, came by, and the boy, who was rowing, becoming excited, turned the little craft directly toward the wheel of the steamer. The occupants of the boat became alarmed and Kathleen Hemmings jumped into the river. The mother leaped frantically into the waves, hoping to rescue her daughter, and the two little ones either jumped or were washed from the boat during the excitement, and all were drowned.

Thelma Apperson would have plunged also had not Chutter held her. The body of Imogene Apperson was found at Ironton, O., having floated about 20 miles down stream. The remains will be sent to Richmond for burial. None of the other bodies had been recovered, but hundreds of people were at work dragging the river bed.

BITUMINOUS COAL COMBINE.

Underwriting Syndicate Formed to Finance Properties in W. Va., W. Pa. and Ohio.

New York, Aug. 3.—The Mail and Express said yesterday:

"It was learned today that an underwriting syndicate of possibly \$50,000,000 had been formed to finance the consolidation of the bituminous coal properties along the Norfolk and Western, Chesapeake and Ohio and possibly also the Rocking Valley, Baltimore and Ohio and other railroads in West Virginia, Western Pennsylvania and Ohio.

"The syndicate will include prominent banking interests of this city, Philadelphia and Baltimore and perhaps Pittsburgh and other western cities. Judge E. H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel corporation, is understood to be one of the leading spirits in the deal, and this is interpreted by some as meaning that the steel trust will control the output.

"This, however, is not true. Judge Gary, it is believed by some, may represent J. P. Morgan & Co., but this is not yet certain.

"The design is to run the soft coal business in harmony with the anthracite trade, which Mr. Morgan in a measure controls."

TOWN SPRANG UP QUICKLY.

Grew Almost in a Night—About 10,000 in the Place, in Oklahoma.

Fort Sill, O. T., Aug. 3.—A town of 10,000 people, to be known as Lawton, grew up just outside the fort limits, almost within a night.

Following the close of the land lottery at El Reno thousands of homeseekers, who drew blanks, started for the three points picked out by the federal government for town sites in the new country, namely, Anadarko, Hobart and Lawton. A majority of the people favored Lawton, which is 25 miles inland, and last night thousands were camped in and about the proposed town site awaiting the sale of lots on Aug. 6.

Already Lawton has about 400 temporary business houses, including a grocery firm and a newspaper, and three streets have been laid out. A national bank has been projected. Every form of gambling known on the frontier is being run wide open, side by side with fake shows of various descriptions. To add to the picturesque of the scene a thousand Comanche Indians have pitched their tents nearby.

CAR LINES WERE TIED UP.

Newark, O., Trolley Men Were on a Strike—Trouble in Erie.

Newark, O., Aug. 3.—The conductors and motormen employed on the Newark electric and the Newark and Granville lines went on strike for more money and shorter hours. The conductors have been receiving \$1.35 and the motormen \$1.50 per day.

Erie, Pa., Aug. 3.—About 300 trolley men went on strike here, tying up the entire line of the Erie Motor company. Thursday night the men organized. Friday morning the officers of the new organization were discharged.

A NEGRO BRUTE LYNCHED;

THREE OFFICERS WOUNDED.

Smithville, Tenn., Aug. 3.—Charles Davis, on trial for criminal assault, was taken from the court room and lynched by a mob composed of friends and relatives of the girl in the case. Davis tried to jump from the second-story window, but was captured. The sheriff, a deputy, a constable and the defendant's father were wounded in a clash with the mob. Davis was on trial, and a witness was introduced by the defense, attacking the girl's character. This enraged the relatives and friends of the girl.

BLESSING FROM PROVIDENCE.

Favorable Weather Resulted in Saving of Much Corn—Ideal Wheat Harvest Weather.

New York, Aug. 3.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade, issued today, said in part:

Continued favorable weather conditions have resulted in the saving of much late planted corn, and in the northwest ideal weather for spring wheat harvest has been enjoyed. As this is the point that business in all parts of the country has been most carefully watching, the general feeling is better than a week ago, although the disposition on both sides to settle the steel strike has not yet resulted in any agreement and the labor situation is thus kept prominent.

Official returns of pig iron production in the first half of the year show a record breaking aggregate of 7,674,713 tons, exceeding the remarkable output of the previous year by 32,044 tons. The second half of 1901 has opened with a much greater capacity of active furnaces, and the full year promises a considerably larger total than the 13,789,242 tons produced in 1900. During the past week leading mills have placed large contracts for early delivery and inquiries for all forms of finished steel are abundant. There is less disposition to pay fancy prices for products that were advanced by the strike, which is an evidence of the general belief in early resumption of work.

Violent fluctuations have marked the course of corn prices. The top point of the previous week was not regained, but traders on the short side of the market were compelled to cover at a loss. The decrease in marketing is not in proportion to the advance in price. Whatever benefit may have accrued from the high level of prices at certainly has driven foreign buyers out of the market. Atlantic exports for the week amounted to only 764,178 bushels, against 3,106,931 a year ago, and 4,003,497 two years ago, at a difference in price of 18 and 25 cents respectively. Wheat is of less interest to speculators, but in legitimate trading it is especially active, western receipts for the week reaching 5,509,511 bushels, against 5,020,611 last year, and 4,734,563 two years ago, while Atlantic exports were 4,815,996 bushels, against 2,473,776 in 1900, and 3,765,787 in 1899.

Failures in July were 697 in number, against 793 last year, and \$7,045,933 in amount of liabilities, against \$9,771,775 in 1900.

STEEL STOCKS LESS ACTIVE.

Stock Market Almost Approached Stagnation Friday.

New York, Aug. 3.—The futility of the efforts made this week to awaken any interest in the stock market or to effect a movement of prices that offered any chance for attractive profits to traders resulted in a very small attendance Friday morning of even that class of dealers on the board. There is no trace of any other operations than those by traders. Friday morning's market, as a consequence, made perceptible progress towards the condition of absolute stagnation, to which it has been tending all the week. Apparently the market was left wholly to the devices of the small boom traders. There was no evidence of the existence of stop-loss selling orders on the one hand, or of supporting orders on the other. Accordingly the professionals found their limited operations quite ineffective in moving prices. But the operation of taking profits, either by selling long stock to realize or by covering shorts, revealed the fictitious character of the movement and neutralized it. Friday's report of sub-treasury operations shows that the government institution took from the money market Thursday some \$400,000, in spite of the fact that checks were payable on the first of the month for the government interest due. There is usually some delay about the presentation of these checks, but a balance in favor of the sub-treasury on an interest payment day is unusual, and calls attention to the constant requirements upon the money market by reason of the revenue surplus. Today's bank statement was not under discussion in the day's speculation. Indications point to an unimportant change in the cash reserves, but the change in the loan item is likely to be effected by the payment of some heavy syndicate subscriptions which came due on Aug. 1. The meager trading centered about the renewed fears of crop damage suggested by the strength in the corn market and the proposed construction of a sugar refinery in opposition to the American Sugar company. An appearance of considerable weakness was thus induced at one time during the day, but the closing up of contracts brought prices back sharply towards Thursday night's level. Sugar failed to hold its rally, and the market closed heavy. The United States Steel stocks were less active than for some time past and failed to show the effect of the reports of disagreement over the steel strike. The common was at one time down over a point, but both closed with fractional net gains.

The railroad bond market was barren of any feature. Total sales, par value, \$1,255,000. United States bonds were all unchanged on the last call.

Phillips May Resume Monday.

Chicago, Aug. 3.—Attorney Goodwin, who is in charge of the George H. Phillips company, which temporarily suspended business on the board of trade Thursday, informed Mr. Phillips Friday that over night developments in the matter of disentangling the accounts indicated that the firm would be in shape to resume business Monday. Shortage, about \$200,000.

Running the Gauntlet. Running the gauntlet as a military punishment was, it is said, originated by Gustavus Adolphus to punish thieves in his army. It was borrowed by the English from the Germans, who copied it from Gustavus, and being employed in the British regiments in America, was readily taken up by the Indians of this country.

SWITCH LEFT OPEN.

Believed With Criminal Intent, Resulted in Trolley Crash, Near Donnelsville, O.

FOURTEEN IN A HOSPITAL.

Four Were Thought Dying and a Number Had Fearful Injuries—Some Slightly Hurt and Went to Their Homes—One Car Struck Another.

Springfield, O., Aug. 3.—A Dayton, Springfield and Urbana trolley car crashed into a coal car, which stood on an open switch, near Donnelsville, and as a result 14 persons are lying in the Mitchell-Thomas hospital seriously injured. Four were believed to be dying. Others, whose names were not learned, went to their homes with injuries which were considered too slight to record.

The cause of the wreck was an open switch. A car had passed the switch about 40 minutes previously and after the disaster it was found that the switch had been opened and locked, and it was believed to have been intentionally done.

The following were among those injured:

List of the Injured.
E. L. Lindenwood, motorman, badly hurt about head and chest, with probably serious internal injuries.
C. D. Brandon, conductor, hurt about chest and both legs.
Miss Blanche Gallehue, Springfield, head cut.

Mrs. Richard Schutte, both legs broken, badly injured internally; may die.

George Conrad, Springfield, both legs broken.

Mrs. William Honeyfinger, Springfield, leg broken and cut about head.

Miss Zelma Turner, bruised about head.

S. H. Brandon, Pleasant Hill, O., leg broken, collar bone broken and serious internal injuries; may die.

Mrs. Henry Leuty, both limbs sprained; injured about chest.

Louis Lumbe, Springfield, leg broken and cut about head and face.

C. A. Miller, Springfield, cut about face.

Miss Ida Hartman, Springfield, cheek cut open.

Carl Smith (colored), Selma, O., slightly bruised about head and face.

Sam Clover (colored), Selma, arm and neck hurt.

Mrs. Jerry Beard, Springfield, leg broken.

Miss Loretta Sullivan, Indianapolis, leg hurt.

Miss Ward, Indianapolis, leg broken and face lacerated.

John Fogarty, Springfield, left leg sprained and bruised about hips.

Mrs. Robert Cochran, Springfield, face and shoulders cut.

Mrs. Charles Bigler, Springfield, bruised slightly about body.

Minor Plagerman, Springfield, hip bruised.

Mary Plagerman, Springfield, leg broken in two places; head and hip cut.

Mrs. William Wood, Springfield, head and arm cut.

WILSON INVESTIGATING.

Aserts Nebraska People Can Put Money in Banks.

Omaha, Aug. 3.—Secretary of Agriculture Wilson was in the city on his way from Lincoln to Sioux City, where he goes to further investigate the condition of the corn crop. Speaking of his trip Friday, the secretary said:

"I decided to make a personal inspection of the corn and wheat belts of the United States. We have plenty of people in the various parts of the country capable of making the correct percentage reports of average, but I thought I would like to see for myself.

"Corn is somewhat seriously injured in all the states of the corn belt. How much, I cannot pretend to say. Our monthly bulletin, issued Aug. 10, will give the percentage. You people in Nebraska are not going to starve; it is only a question of how much money you will be able to put in the bank.

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FOES WITHOUT AND WITHIN.

What Venezuela and Colombia May Face If They Go to War.

Washington, Aug. 3.—The political situation in the neighboring republics of Venezuela and Colombia, in South America, and the possibility of war between these two states, is attracting considerable attention in diplomatic circles. Should war actually result the authorities in each country would not only have to deal with their foreign enemies, but also with their domestic foes, as each of the countries now has what practically amounts to a civil war on its hands. Neither the Colombian nor the Venezuelan legation here has much direct information, and the cable reports are exceedingly conflicting. The officials at the Colombian legation are at a loss to understand the report of President Castro's declaration of martial law on the ground that his country is being invaded by Colombia. The revolution, headed by Dr. Galvaras, who crossed the Venezuelan border from Colombia, where he had taken refuge, is said to be in no sense an invasion by Colombians. Dr. Galvaras belonged to the party of Andrade, who was overthrown by Castro, and it is stated in diplomatic circles that he is simply heading a rebellion of Venezuelans against the latter's authority. No definite information has been received here regarding the whereabouts of General Uribe, who is heading a movement against the present government in Colombia, from the Venezuelan side. The last news of his whereabouts was that he was at Maracaibo, and had not yet crossed into Colombia, where it was supposed he would attempt to affect a juncture with Narin, a noted guerrilla, who is still carrying on a vestige of the last revolution in the mountains of the central range of the Andes.

At the Colombian legation here the movement headed by Uribe is not considered at all serious thus far. A report received here on July 25 last gave news of a projected simultaneous invasion of Colombia from Venezuela, Ecuador and Nicaragua. Nothing has been heard of the movement since then.

AMERICAN WAS IMPRISONED.

He and Other Persons Held About Six Days in Venezuela.

San Juan, Porto Rico, Aug. 3.—Prof. Riddle, of the San Juan normal school, who has been sojourning in South America in the interests of the United States fish commission, has arrived here from Venezuela. He tells a story of imprisonment. While ascending the Orinoco, accompanied by an asphalt official, his launch was held up at Tukupit by a small Venezuelan gunboat, the General Hernandez, which made prisoners of the passengers and crew of the launch. They were held in custody at Ciudad Bolivar for about six days and were then released.

The Massillon Market.

The following prices are paid by Massillon merchants today:

GRAIN, HAY, STRAW AND WOOL

Wheat (old) 66

Wheat (new)..... 63

Hay, per ton..... 8 00

Straw, per ton..... \$6 00 7 00

Corn 45-50

Oats 30 32

Clover Seed..... 5 00

Timothy Seed..... 1 50-2 00

Rye, per bu..... 50

Barley..... 48

Flax seed..... 1 50

Wool..... 15-16

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Potatoes, per bushel..... \$1 00

Beets, doz bunches..... 25

Evaporated apples..... 07

Cabbage, doz..... 50

White beans..... 2 08

BUTTER, EGGS AND POULTRY

Butter..... 16-18

Eggs (fresh)..... 12

Chickens, dressed..... 13

Chickens, spring..... 25

MEATS AND CHEESE.

Ham..... 11

Shoulder..... 08

Lard..... 09

Sides..... 06 to 07

Cheese..... 10-12

The following are retail prices:

Bran, per 100 lbs..... 80

Middlings per 100 lbs..... 95

James White, Bryantville, Ind., says DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve healed running sores on both legs. He had suffered 6 years. Doctors failed to help him. Get DeWitt's. Accept no imitation. C. W. Cupples, 139 W. Tremont street, Rider & Snyder, 12 E. Main St.

Low Rates Westward.

During the first ten days of August and September, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway will sell excursion tickets from Chicago to points in the West and Northwest at the following extremely low rates:

St. Paul and Minneapolis and return..... \$10.35

Duluth, Minn., and return..... 14.85

Hot Springs, S. C., and return..... 25.00

Deadwood and Lead City, S. D., and return..... 29.50

Denver, Pueblo and Colorado Springs and return..... 25.00

Ogden and Salt Lake City, Utah, and return..... 40.00

Greatly reduced rates on all other days.

These tickets will be good on all trains and purchasers will have choice of six routes and eight trains via St. Paul, and two routes and three trains via Missouri River. The route of the Famous Pioneer Limited trains, and the U. S. Government Fast Mail trains, Chicago to St. Paul and Minneapolis.

All Coupon Ticket Agents sell tickets via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway. For further information address F. A. Miller, General Passenger Agent, Old Colony Building, Chicago.

High living, intemperance, exposure and many other things bring on Bright's disease. Foley's Kidney Cure will prevent Bright's disease and all other kidney or bladder disorders if taken in time. Be sure to take Foley's. Rider & Snyder.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure

Digests what you eat. Artificially digests the food and aids nature in strengthening and reconstructing the exhausted digestive organs. It is the latest discovered digestant and tonic. No other preparation can approach it in efficiency. It instantly relieves and permanently cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Heartburn, Flatulence, Sour Stomach, Nausea, Sick Headache, Gastralgia, Cramps, and all other results of imperfect digestion. Price 50c, and \$1. Large size contains 24 times as much. Book all bottles dispensed a mailed free. Prepared by F. C. CO. Chicago. Chas. W. Cupples, 139 W. Tremont, Rider & Snyder, 12 East Main St. Want Column ads. pay. Try it

Half Rates to Wisconsin and Michigan Resorts

August 1 to 10, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway will sell excursion tickets from Chicago to the summer resorts of Wisconsin and Michigan at rate of one fare (minimum rate \$4) for round trip, limit October 31.

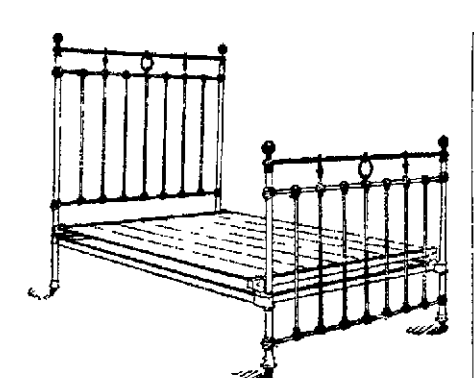
The list of resorts includes Milwaukee, Waukesha, Palmyra, Madison, Kilbourn, Elkhart Lake, Pewaukee, Lakeside, Hartland, Nashotah, Oconomowoc, Sparta, Marquette, Houghton, Ontonagon, Sault Ste. Marie, St. Ignace, Minocqua and Star Lake.

Through sleeping cars to Marquette, Calumet, Minocqua and Star Lake and frequent trains with parlor cars to nearby resorts.

All coupon ticket agents sell tickets via Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway, or address E. G. Hayden, traveling passenger agent, Cleveland, O.

Every family should have its household medicine chest, and the first bottle in it should be Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, nature's remedy for coughs and colds.

ENAMEL BEDS



56 in. high. 1 1/2 in. pillars. 7 1/2 in. spindles, full brass trimmed, with a \$2 50 spring, complete

Only \$7 50.

We closed out from one of the largest Eastern factories, 100 Enamel Beds. The condition of this purchase was, that the Beds must be shipped at once. They are now ready for your critical inspection, and at such prices that will move every bed out of our store in a few days.

The Last Days of the Great Removal Sale

are drawing near. You will be making your Fall purchases soon. Why not anticipate your wants a few weeks and take advantage of our

One-Fourth, One-Third and One-Half off Prices?

Remember this entire stock is at your disposal. There is absolutely no reserve.

Furniture, Carpets, Rugs, Stoves, Lamps, Dishes, Etc. at Cost and Less.

CREDIT as usual at our regular 10 per cent advance.

Yours Respectfully,

W.D. BENEDICT
63 and 65 South Erie Street.

HUMBERGERS THE BIG SILK SALE

That started last Saturday, will continue all this week. The very low prices we are making are on this season's choicest productions.

Wash Silks, Foulards, Taffetas Etc., 23c, 39c, 43c, 59c, 69c, 79c, 89c,

represent the best values we have ever shown. In fact some lots are selling, at less than the cost to manufacture.

We ask you to look at the Greatest Bargains in Black Silks.

Black Taffetas, wear guaranteed, \$1 quality 59c

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Discovered This Week by Independent Investigators.

Miss Nellie Snaveley is visiting relatives near West Lebanon.

Mrs. Alice Crossland, of Uhrichsville, is visiting relatives and friends in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Arvine Wales have taken up their residence at No. 42 South East street.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Myers and sons, Howard and Eugene, of Canton, spent Friday with Mrs. Rose Alden.

Mrs. Hoover and Miss Bertha Hoover, of Athens, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Schuckers, in East Main street.

Mrs. Alice R. Crowl, of La Grange, Ind., accompanied by her daughter, is the guest of her brother, John J. Rose, at the Hotel Sailer.

One hundred and twenty-five employees of the Warren boiler works at Warren, have asked for a nine-hour day with ten hours' pay.

The Canal Fulton tool works have had to suspend operations, owing to inability to secure steel, on account of the strike of the steel workers.

Ex-Senator J. P. Alexander, of Akron, arrived home Friday with the body of his son, who died on a steamship enroute to England, July 19.

Mrs. Peter Koontz and Miss Koontz, of Findlay, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gribble, in East Main street. Mrs. Koontz is a sister of Mr. Gribble.

Mr. and Mrs. John Goudy have taken up their residence in North street. Mrs. Goudy was formerly Miss Daisy Turner. The marriage took place on Tuesday.

The funeral services of the late Edward Tubelou were conducted from St. Mary's church on Friday afternoon. Interment was made in St. Mary's cemetery.

The date for holding the annual reunion of the Murray school, announced for the second Thursday in August, has been changed to the last Thursday in the month--the 29th.

Mrs. Henry Rudy and son, who were called to Massillon by the illness and death of the late Mrs. Catherine Rudy, returned on Friday to their home in Washington, D. C.

A letter received by THE INDEPENDENT from Osgood, Mo., announces the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Browne, who have been spending the summer at that place.

Alfred, the eight-year-old son of Rudolph Halleur, was killed at Akron Friday afternoon by the overturning of a lumber wagon on which he was riding. His skull was crushed.

The Young Men's Social Club will give a festival at the home of Milton Bahney, in Green street, on Friday evening, August 9, for the benefit of Faith Lutheran Chapel.

Leaders of the Epworth League of the First M. E. church for the present month will be Henry Miller, the Rev. Dr. John I. Wilson, Miss Charlotte Smith and Mrs. Lydia Griffiths.

Pennsylvania officials who conducted an investigation over the wreck west of the city on Thursday, fixed the responsibility on the lagman of the North Lawrence nine run. He was given a two weeks' lay off.

Massillon relatives received a telegram on Friday morning, stating that Shepherd Knapp, of Cleveland, formerly of this city, sustained a stroke of paralysis on Thursday evening. Nothing was said as to his condition.

The twenty-fourth annual reunion of the One Hundred and Fourth U. S. V. will be held at Ravenna, August 7 and 8. Quite a number of the survivors of the famous old regiment, which was largely composed of men from Stark and Columbiana counties, are residents of this city.

A daily newspaper for five months published by J. A. Hamilton in the Dorse building, in Charles street, has suspended publication. Mr. Hamilton will hereafter devote his entire time to the Orrville Crescent, a weekly journal, which he published previously to coming to Massillon. His Massillon plant, for the present, he will allow to remain where it is.

James Linbert, quartermaster sergeant of Company N, Eighth Regiment, O. N. G., has disappeared and with him \$200 belonging to the Spanish-American Veterans of Akron. A year ago the young men, who served in the late war, started a fund for the purpose of building a monument to the memory of those who had died in that war, and Linbert was made custodian of the fund.

The funeral services of John Maurice Smith were held from the residence of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Maurice Smith, in West Main street, at 9 o'clock on Friday morning. The services were largely attended and the floral offerings profuse and beautiful. The Rev. O. P. Foust and the Rev. N. E. Moffit officiated. The pallbearers were Harry Davis, Roy English, Clarence Teeple and Charles Breckel.

At least one hundred farmers living south of Wooster, if the programme arranged is carried out, are today hunting for an immense snake which has been seen in that section during the past week or two. Reputable men have seen it unite in saying that it is from twenty five to thirty feet in length, and eight or ten inches in diameter. From descriptions given it is supposed to be a boa-constrictor escaped from some circus. The people in the neighborhood are afraid of meeting the monster, while children cannot be induced to venture outside their door yards.

The funeral services of Mrs. Margaret Spuhler were conducted from the residence of Mrs. Julia Meek, No. 162 West

Main street, at 1 o'clock on Thursday afternoon, and from St. John's church an hour later. The Rev. J. E. Digel officiated at the services, which were largely attended. Six grandsons of the deceased, Thomas Spuhler, William Spuhler, Louis Graybill, John Graybill, Harry Matthews and Clarence Spuhler, acted as pallbearers. Among the out-of-town relatives who attended the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Graybill, of Uhrichsville; John Graybill, of Wheeling; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Patches, of Erie; Mr. Gilliam, of Doylestown, and Mrs. VonKamel, of Akron.

The members of both branches of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association, Tammany Hall, stonecasons and stonecutters attended in a body the funeral of the late Frank Seiler, and with the host of friends of the deceased from every walk of life, more than filled St. Mary's Catholic church, where the services were conducted by the Rev. H. V. Kaempfer, at 9 o'clock Thursday morning. At the residence of the deceased, Fred Forster, past chancellor of branch No. 4, C. M. B. A., offered prayer. The procession was formed in front of the house, and proceeded thence to the church. The pallbearers were Frank Vogt, W. A. Vogt, Joseph Schrader, C. L. Halter, W. A. Sonnhalter, John Tragg, John Eisenbrel and Joseph Kettl, all members of the C. M. B. A. Father Kaempfer preached the funeral sermon in German.

OUR COLUMBUS LETTER.

The State Fair Will Open on Sunday, Sept. 1.

COLUMBUS, July 31.--[Special]--The political pot boils easily these days when the thermometer clings to the hundred mark, but it is not particularly lively save now and then. The other day the Democratic leaders made history for a few minutes by turning down Judge Ditty for secretary of the Democratic committee. Colonel Kilbourne weakened before Lentz. The latter pretended he was not opposed to Ditty, but, in truth, he was, and Daugherty dominated things. He ruled with an iron hand, and Kilbourne bowed before the dictator meekly. This leaves Ditty sitting alone upon a desolate shore. When he recovers from the blow, there will be something going on in the Democratic ranks not at all pleasing to Kilbourne. It looked for a time as if Colonel Kilbourne was being carried toward the gubernatorial chair "on flowery beds of ease," but not now. The "flowery beds" have tumbled with him, and he is now floundering around wondering where he is.

Another subject has been to the front for a while, and promises to remain there until the first of September, and that is the Sunday opening of the exposition. The State Board of Agriculture found it necessary to open the gates of the fair on Sunday, September 1. As the exposition opens on the 26th of August and closes the 7th of September, it made this act one of necessity, as there will be thousands in the city on account of the fair. Columbus is a famous musical city, and a grand chorus is now drilling to sing at the religious services to be held upon the grounds on the afternoon of that day. Among the musical features will be the singing of the "Gloria" from Mozart's "Twelfth Mass" and "The Heavens Are Telling" from Haydn's "Creation." An eminent divine will preach, and the audience will be seated in the grand stand holding 8,000 people.

There will be a number of very interesting special days, among which are Columbus Merchants' Day, Friday, August 30; Commercial Travelers' Day, Saturday, August 31; Military Day, September 4; and Civic Organization Day, Thursday, September 5. Arrangements are being made to hold special services at the Grand cottage one day of the exposition, and the Chinese minister, Wu Ting Fang, will be invited to be present. Mr. Wu was a great admirer of the most famous general Ohio has given to the world. Take it all in all, the interest in the exposition excites more comment than does politics. The latter will warm as the weather cools, and no one cares how quickly the change may come.

OBITUARY NOTICE.

EDWARD TABELLON. Edward Tabeillon, the four-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Tabeillon, who reside in Tuscarawas township, west of the city, died of convulsions, Thursday morning. The funeral services will be held from St. Mary's church at 1:30 o'clock Friday afternoon.

MRS. WILLIAM MAXHEIMER.

Mrs. William Maxheimer, aged 75 years, died at her home west of the city on Saturday morning at 8 o'clock. Death was caused by dropsy. The funeral will take place on Monday at 10 a. m., the Rev. Mr. Watson officiating. Mrs. Maxheimer's children are Mrs. L. P. Slusser, Mrs. N. E. Moffit, Frank and Sheridan Maxheimer.

SET OF HARNESS STOLEN.

Thieves Enter the Barn of George Yost, of East Main Street.

Thieves, Friday night, by removing the staples connected with the lock, entered the barn of George Yost, in the rear of his East Main street property, and stole a set of harness. It is a single surry harness, folded breeching, round reins, gag straps and swivels. The harness is silver plated. Other parts are nickel plated. A reward will be paid for information leading to the arrest of the thief. The harness was practically new.

COUNTY SEAT NEWS

CANTON, Aug. 2.--The work of compiling the abstract of the personal property, moneys and credits in Stark county has been completed by the auditor. The total value of all taxable personal property except per capita tax on dogs amounts to \$13,736,656, and is divided among the townships and cities as follows: Bethlehem township, \$345,288; Canton--first ward, \$1,748,835; second ward, \$180,523; third ward, \$200,770; fourth ward, \$259,555; fifth ward, \$328,795; sixth ward, \$124,136; seventh ward, \$624,526; Jackson township, \$293,101; Lake township, \$536,083; Lawrence township, \$640,760; Lexington township, \$493,923; Alliance, first ward, \$502,481; second ward, \$68,835; third ward, \$111,034; fourth ward, \$103,791; fifth ward, \$80,838; sixth ward, \$54,469; Marlboro township, \$246,384; Nimshtillen township, \$850,697; Osnaburg township, \$316,927; Paris township, \$412,890; Perry township, \$669,462; Massillon, first ward, \$945,674; second ward, \$183,809; third ward, \$26,412; fourth ward, \$93,654; Pike township, \$201,303; Plain township, \$730,653; Sandy township, \$207,469; Sugarcraft township, \$448,260; Tuscarawas township, \$438,569; Tuscarawas township, \$403,437. The total last year was \$13,549,465, showing an increase this year of \$187,191. The abstract also shows 3,978 dogs and 151 female dogs. The year before 4,183 male and 178 female dogs were returned.

The directors of the Stark County Agricultural Society held another session Thursday for the purpose of completing arrangements for the county fair. It was decided to reduce the admission charges to the grounds and also the admission to the grand stand from 25 cents to 15 cents for the night fairs. The fair will begin Monday, September 2, and will be continued five days, one day longer than in previous years. Night fairs will be held on the evenings of September 3, 4 and 5.

Acting under instructions from the county commissioners, County Surveyor Hoover is at work on establishing the grade for the Uniontown hill. He said that a four per cent grade would be established and that at the highest point a cut of about twenty feet would be necessary. He has not as yet prepared an estimate of the cost of the improvement.

Col. J. J. Clark has issued a call for a reunion of the One Hundred and Fifteenth regiment, O. V. L., to be held in Cleveland on September 10, during the week of the national G. A. R. encampment. The reunion will be held in one of the rooms of the Western Reserve Medical college, and a full attendance of the members of the regiment is urged.

Lydia A. Wendling has transferred to George Leiberman part of lot 17, third ward, Massillon, for \$1,800.

The first rail on the Canton-Akron electric line, within the city limits, was laid Wednesday morning, in McKinley avenue. It is said the rails are laid from the city limits north as far as the Mexico school house. A delegation of Uniontown citizens was in the city Wednesday morning to confer with the officials of the road regarding the cutting down of the big hill near their town. They are unanimous in their desire to have the road run directly through their town.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

R. B. Heaton to J. W. McClymonds, lot 1966, second ward, Massillon.

Herman Helman to John W. Rogers, part lot 1885, second ward, Massillon.

John Hair to Antonio Sonatura, lot 144, Navarre, \$400.

Margaret McInnis to Otto Schoenbrenner, 5-100 acres, Tuscarawas township, \$20.

A. H. Hershey to Louis Heather, 50-100 acres, Tuscarawas township, \$200.

Howells Coal Company to John W. Evans, part lot 6, Hershey's addition, \$400.

THE SONS OF HERMANN.

A Massillon Man Elected Grand Financial Secretary.

At the Wednesday morning meeting of the state convention of the Sons of Hermann, in session at Alliance, the following officers were elected: Grand ex-president, Adnan Schissler, of Canton; grand president, Carl Muth, Cleveland; grand vice president, Hermann Miller, Alliance; grand recording secretary, B. H. Harne, Toledo; grand financial secretary, Louis Gross, Massillon; grand treasurer, Carl Friedel, Lorain; trustees, Joseph Sulte, M. Sheuk, Cleveland, and F. Raspiher, Canton; grand marshal, J. Leiber, Canton; warden, J. Sulzbach, Doylestown; finance committee, John Bosch, Canton; M. Urban, Cleveland; Morris Pompey, Alliance; committee on laws, M. Ullman, Cleveland; Hermann Seidel, Akron. The convention adjourned Wednesday evening.

CANVASS BIDS AGAIN.

Fire Committee to Have Another Meeting--The Milk Ordinance.

The meeting of the fire committee has not decided which bid for apparatus it will recommend be accepted. Bids were submitted by companies from Seneca Falls, N. Y.; Columbus and Racine, Mich. Sometime before the council meets, the committee will canvass the bids again and formulate its report.

"Our next conference ought to be with the cows," remarked Councilman Frantz, of the judiciary committee, Friday. "We've conferred with about all others affected by this proposed milk ordinance. So far as I know, there'll be no report to the council Monday night. There hasn't been any meeting of the committee this week, and I don't know that any has been called."

A. H. Davis, Mt. Sterling, Ia., writes: "I was troubled with kidney complaint for about two years, but two one dollar bottles of Foley's Kidney Cure effected a permanent cure." Rider & Snyder.

ANOTHER YEAR OF STUDY.

One Board Member's Ideas in Regard to High School Work.

Though the matter has never formally come before the board of education, it is understood that some of the members favor adding another year of study to the high school course. It does not seem at all possible, however, that this fourth year will be added next term. One member of the board has expressed himself as being in favor of reducing the course a year or two, and will strenuously oppose any effort to make an addition. This member thinks that the studying done in one year in the A grammar could be done with better results in two years, and there he would have public school instruction end. The boy or girl, he thinks, intending to take up a profession or trade, is prepared for specialized work after passing the A grammar, and the three years now spent in the high school are a waste of time.

A SUCCESS FINANCIALLY.

Directors of Benefit Association Dispose of Picnic Business.

At the regular monthly meeting of the directors of Russell & Company's Employees' Mutual Benefit Association, held on Thursday, affairs in connection with Tuesday's picnic at Silver Lake were finally disposed of. The total number of tickets sold was 711. Although the attendance for various reasons was not as large as at former outings, the affair was a financial success, a substantial balance being paid over into the treasury of the association.

LOWEST BID IS \$1,350.

Several Fire Apparatus Companies Submit Proposals to Committee.

The bids for fire apparatus, opened by the council's fire committee, Wednesday afternoon, will be presented to the council Monday night. The bid of the Racine Company, of Racine, Mich., is the lowest. It will sell a hook and ladder truck for \$1,350. The bid of the Seagrave Company, of Columbus, which offers appurtenances the Racine company does not for a few dollars more, is contended by some to be the best proposal.

THE FIRST OF HIS RINGS.

Michael Lally Now Prepared to Help Poor Pennmen.

Michael Lally, of North Lawrence, came to town today with the first of his writing rings. By wearing this ring on the third finger of the hand, Mr. Lally avers, a poor writer can become a good writer. He says it gives the nerves steadiness, and causes the hand to move smoothly. Mr. Lally states that he will not put the ring on sale until he has learned the result of his application for a patent.

THE ANNUAL PICNIC.

Employees of the Bridge Company to Have Their Outing Aug. 13.

The annual picnic of the employees of the Massillon Bridge Company will be held at Chippewa lake, August 13. At a recent meeting committees were appointed, and a programme for the day is now being arranged. A special train on the Cleveland, Lorain & Wheeling railway will be run for the accommodation of the picnickers.

SCUM FORMS ON WATER.

And the Zoar Fishing Is Not What It Ought To Be.

Zoar fishing is not what it usually is at this time of the year. William Hodnot says this is because it has been dry and hot for so long. "A kind of scum has come over the water at places," said he, today, "because it has been standing so long, and there'll be no running of fish till we have a good big rise of the water."

Mrs. S. H. Allport, Johnstown, Pa., says: "Our little girl almost strangled to death with croup. The doctors said she couldn't live, but she was instantly relieved by one Minute Cough Cure." Chas. W. Cupples, 139 W. Tremont St., Rider & Snyder, 12 E. Main St.

A. R. Bass, of Morgantown, Ind., had to get up ten or twelve times in the night and had severe backache and pains in the kidneys. Was cured by Foley's Kidney Cure. It's guaranteed. Rider & Snyder.

A FAIR QUESTION TO ASTHMA SUFFERERS.

WOULD you give two cents or two and a half cents for immediate and positive relief from the exhausting and nerve-racking asthma from which you suffer? One dose of Foley's Kidney and Tar is positively and unconditionally guaranteed to give relief, and there are ten doses in a 25 cent bottle--twenty-five doses in a 50 cent bottle.

Foley's Kidney and Tar will cure asthma if not too far advanced, and always will bring relief. Remember, one dose means relief from the terrible wheezing and choking up. Is our guarantee worth the price of a trial to you? "Foley's Kidney and Tar" is the name.

Louise Prickett, 509 Bryan Ave., Duwaine, Ill., writes: "I had suffered several years with Asthma and after trying a great many remedies I had given up all hope. I was advised to try Foley's Kidney and Tar. It immediately stopped the coughing spells and I get my breath more freely. It is the only medicine that ever gave me relief."

BANNER SALVE heals all hurts.

Rider & Snyder, Druggists.

INDEPENDENT WANT COLUMNS

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